

Claiborne Multiple- Use Trail



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TRAIL DESCRIPTION & LOCATION

Welcome to the Calcasieu Ranger District! We hope you will enjoy your visit to the Kisatchie National Forest. Off-Road Vehicle (ORV) use is one of the many recreation opportunities offered on the Calcasieu District. We have established approximately 70 miles of designated ORV trail available for an enjoyable experience for all ORV users on the Evangeline Unit.

Fifteen miles south of Alexandria, lies over 70 miles of Claiborne Multiple-Use Trail. This trail loops through pine upland forest and the abandoned WWII military installation known as Camp Claiborne. The trail consists of three separate loops that vary in distance, and difficulty level.

- North Loop 19 miles
- Woodworth Loop 27 miles
- Boy Scout Loop 31 miles

Along with ORV use, the Claiborne Multiple-Use Trail is enjoyed by hikers, mountain bikes, and horseback riders. The trail loops are marked with orange markings, and the primary trailhead/ staging area is the Loran Camp Area. From Alexandria, take US Hwy. 165 South through Woodworth for 14 miles to LA 112. Turn right on LA 112, and go approximately 3 miles to FS 258. Turn right on LA FS 258 and proceed 1.5 miles to the Loran Recreation Area. Additional staging areas are the Ahtus Melder Camp (horses only) and Boy Scout Camp. See the map for these locations.

GENERAL VISITOR INFORMATION

Visitors to the Kisatchie National Forest, are asked to follow certain rules designated to protect the natural environment, to ensure the health and safety of visitors, and to promote pleasant and rewarding outdoor recreation experiences for all. Please become familiar with the posted Code of Federal Regulations and Forest Supervisor's Orders governing the use of ORV's on National Forest lands. These regulations and orders are enforced and are punishable by law if violated.

Jeeps and 4-wheel drive vehicles are restricted to open roads and must be properly licensed for road use. Use of these vehicles on closed roads, in sensitive stream areas, and certain utility rights-of-way is strictly prohibited.

Please remember to be careful! You are primarily responsible for your own safety. Look out for natural hazards and dangers when you are in the forest. Above all, think of yourself as an ambassador for trail riding. Your actions speak for

all riders so be sure that everyone you meet remembers trail riders as good citizens!

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING RULES

1. Stay on the 'Designated Trail' only. No cross country travel.
2. Do Not Ride OHV on roads or the road right-of-way.
3. Do Not Ride your OHV in the Camping Area or Parking Lot. Use the Trail provided.
4. OHV in excess of 50 inches in width is prohibited.
5. OHV tires with lug length in excess of 1" (inch) are prohibited.
6. All OHV's must have a spark arresting device (muffler).
7. OHV in violation of applicable noise emission standards in excess of (99) decibels at (20) inches from exhaust is prohibited.
8. Careless or reckless operation without regard for safety of any person or property (wheelies, donuts, excessive speed) is prohibited.
9. Camp Areas 5 m.p.h. for OHV's and motorcycles and vehicles.
10. Parking or leaving a vehicle in violation of posted instructions for 'Day Use / Overnight Camping' is prohibited.
11. Riders under 16 years of age are the responsibility of legal guardians.
12. Day Use hours are 6:00 am to 8:00 pm or daylight to dark.
13. Quiet Time is 10:00 pm to 6:00 am in the camping areas.
14. Discharging any type of firearm, fire works or explosive within 150 yards of the area is prohibited.
15. Short cutting a switchback on any designated trail is prohibited.
16. Causing resource damage - Operation of OHV's in ponds, creeks, power line or water line right-of-ways (or sensitive areas) is prohibited.
17. Do Not damage or cause damage to the trail. No mudding or riding when soil conditions are wet.

PROPERTY & SANITATION

- Preserve and protect your National Forests. Leave natural areas the way you find them. Don't carve, chop, cut or damage any live trees, use tree-saver straps when tying down horses.
- Indian sites, old cabins and other structures along with objects and artifacts associated with them, have historic or archeological value. Damaging or removing any historic or archeological resource is strictly prohibited.

- Throw all garbage and litter in containers provided for this purpose, or take it with you.

CAMPING AND CAMPFIRES

- Campgrounds and other recreation sites can be used only for recreation purposes. In camp grounds, camp only in those places specifically marked or provided.
- Obey restrictions on fires. Fires may be limited or prohibited at certain times. Within campgrounds and other recreation sites, build fires only in fire rings, stoves, grills or fireplaces provided for that purpose.
- Remove all personal property and trash, and be sure your fire is completely extinguished before leaving. You are responsible for keeping fires under control.

PUBLIC BEHAVIOR

- Must operate any audio devices, such as a radio or musical instrument, at responsible sound levels so that it does not disturb other visitors.
- Pets must always be restrained or on a leash while in developed recreation sites. Saddle or pack animals are allowed in recreation site only where authorized by posted instructions.
- No fighting or boisterous behavior.
- Firing a gun is not allowed: (a) in or within 150 yards of a residence, building, campsite, developed recreation site, or occupied area, across or on a road or body of water; (c) in any circumstance whereby any person may be injured or property damaged.

HOW TO TREAD LIGHTLY

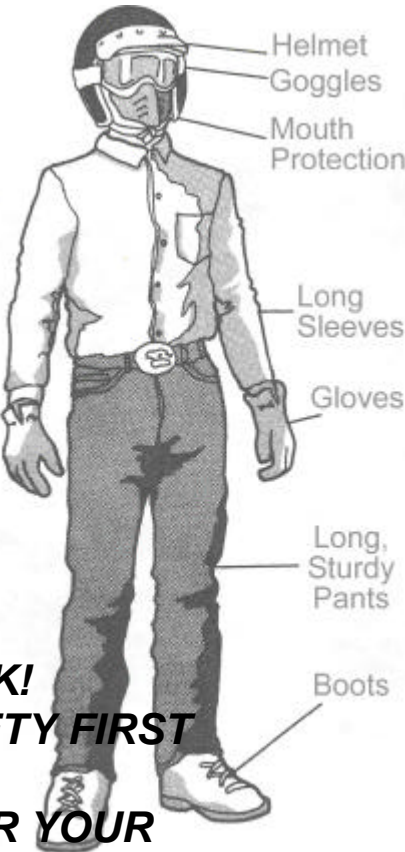
Traveling only where permitted.

Respecting the rights of hikers, campers, horse back riders and other trail users to enjoy their activities undisturbed.

Educating myself by obtaining maps and regulations from public agencies; complying with signs and barriers; and asking owners' permission to cross private property.

Avoiding streambanks, lakeshores, meadows, muddy roads and trails, steep hillsides, wildlife and livestock. Ford streams only at designated crossings.

Driving and traveling responsibly to protect the environment and preserve opportunities to enjoy recreation on wild lands.



THINK!
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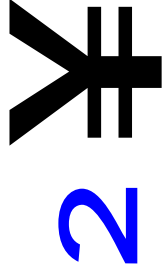


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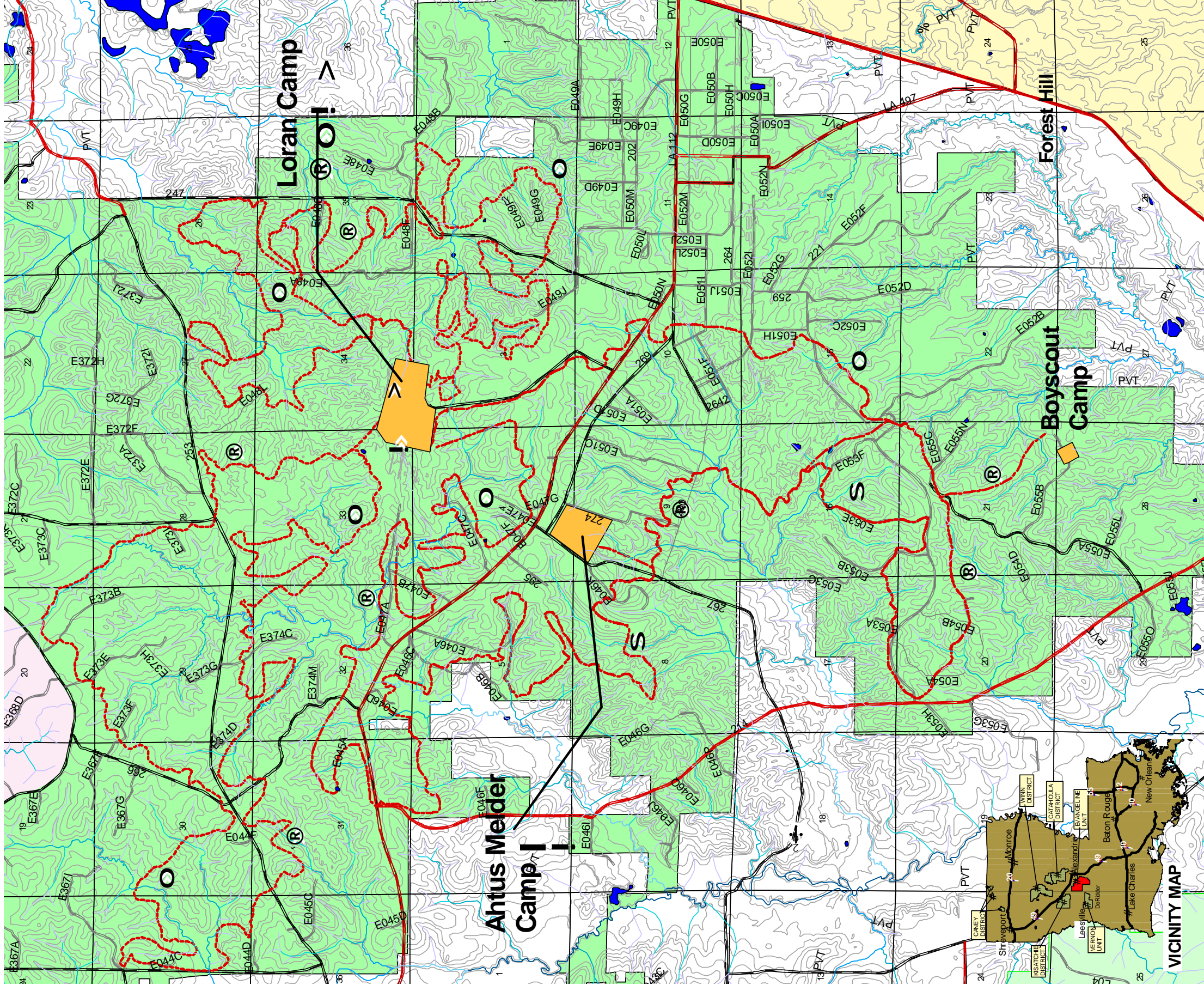
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Evangeline Unit



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